PROCLAMATION

EO 97-04

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER TO ESTABLISH AND COMMISSION THE GOVERNOR'S CITIZENS COUNCIL ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION.

WHEREAS, a reliable, efficient, and safe transportation system is essential for continued economic development and job creation; and

WHEREAS, the current transportation infrastructure is inadequate and in need of improvements and repairs; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that a comprehensive study be conducted on a multitude of peripheral and related issues so knowledge based decisions can be made in formulating a long range transportation plan; and

WHEREAS, it is ultimately the citizens and taxpayers of the state of Arkansas that are required to pay for the transportation infrastructure of this state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Huckabee, acting under the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arkansas, do hereby establish and commission the Governor's Citizens Council on Highways and Transportation to:

Organize a statewide coalition to receive public input on needs and recommended prioritization; formulate a long- range transportation plan to enhance the economic development of Arkansas; review and report on methods of financing the highway and transportation needs of the State of Arkansas; and report to the Governor their findings;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed at the Capitol in Little Rock on this 11th day of July in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred ninety-seven.



GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE

SECRETARY OF STATE SHARON PRIEST